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For: **MASS SPECTROMETER, MASS SPECTROMETRY, AND MONITORING SYSTEM**

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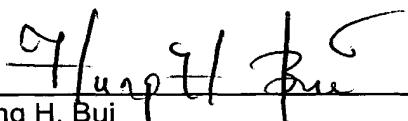
Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 CFR 1.55, the applicants hereby claim the right of priority based on the following foreign applications filed in Japan:

Application No. 11-266044, filed on September 20, 1999; and

Application No. 2000-247937, filed on August 10, 2000.

Certified copies of these foreign applications were filed on January 16, 2001, in application Serial No. 09/663,796, the parent application of the present divisional application.

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